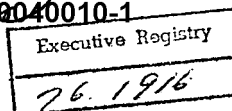


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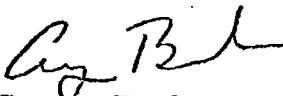
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Honorable Melvin Price, Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As you may be aware, CIA has been working for some time on new estimates of trends in the ruble costs of Soviet defense programs. This is to inform you that our work is progressing well and that we expect to publish the results some time in the first two weeks of May. I am sure you will be interested in this publication and I will see to it that you get one of the first copies.

Sincerely,


George Bush
Director

Identical Memos sent to:

John C. Stennis, Chairman
Senate Armed Services Committee

John Sparkman, Chairman
Senate Foreign Relations Committee

Thomas E. Morgan, Chairman
International Relations Committee

George H. Mahon, Chairman
Appropriations Committee (House)

John L. McClellan, Chairman
Senate Appropriations Committee

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Friday - 9 April 1976

1. (Unclassified - RC) ADMINISTRATIVE DELIVERIES Per his request, I had a courier deliver to Angus MacDonald, Staff Director, House Select Committee on Persons Missing In Action in Southeast Asia, a copy of a map of Laos which he and [] had been discussing.

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2. (Unclassified - SK) EMPLOYMENT Received a call from Mrs. Hagerty, in the office of Representative Sam M. Gibbons (D., Fla.), requesting the status of [] application for employment. I checked with the Office of Personnel and was informed that a letter had been sent to [] 26 March 1976. I so informed Mrs. Hagerty.

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3. [] EMPLOYMENT At the request of [] I made an appointment with [] on 19 April at 10:00 a.m. for an employment interview. This was in response to an earlier conversation [] had with Jack Brady, of the House Committee on International Relations. Mr. Brady was informed of arrangements.

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4. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON In the absence of Ralph Preston and Chuck Snodgrass, staff of House Appropriations Committee, I talked with Chairman George Mahon to see if I could determine just when he planned to have the Director meet with the Defense Subcommittee on the Angolan situation. Mr. Mahon had advised the Director earlier in the day that they would probably want him to come before the Subcommittee (perhaps on Monday). Mr. Mahon said that Monday appeared out of the question at this time in the absence of the Subcommittee staff, and I indicated that if it was agreeable with the Subcommittee, Tuesday afternoon would be the best time for Mr. Bush. I did get a message through to Preston who said he knew nothing about any meeting with the Director and inferred that none was planned. I trust that Mr. Mahon will fill him in on this Monday morning.

5. (Unclassified - GLC) ADMINISTRATION Talked to Don Ogilvie, Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs, OMB, about the legal considerations that were given to [] project at the time it was submitted to the OPAG Committee. (See Memo for the Record.)

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20. [] LEGISLATION Together with []
[] OGC, and [] met with Tim Ingram, Staff Director,
and Ted Jacobs, staff member, of the House Government Operations
Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, and
discussed the effects of H. R. 169 and H. R. 12039 upon the Agency.
We discussed briefly the problems the Agency would have with the
requirement for notification. Ingram had requested the meeting for his
background information. Ingram was aware that Chairwoman Bella
Abzug (D., N. Y.), had talked to the Director earlier in the day but
was not aware of the outcome of their discussion. Subsequent to the
meeting, [] and I met with Mary Lawton, Tom Martin,
and others in the Justice Department, and discussed Justice's proposed
testimony (to be given by Lawton) and the Agency's position. We agreed
it would be difficult to come up with a unified Administration position on
the bills since the programs in question were quite different. Each agency
would have to determine its own position.

21. [] LEGISLATION Delivered to Bob Schafer,
Congressional Budget Office, certain additional data prepared by []
[] DD/Plans and Systems, OF, for Schafer's cost estimate evaluation
of H. R. 11088. Schafer said he had again talked with the House Budget
Committee people and will talk further to facilitate acceptance of the bill.

22. [] LIAISON In the absence of Mr. Cary,
spoke with Representative Jack Edwards (R., Ala.), concerning
commitments under the former []

23. [] LIAISON Marian Czarnecki,
Chief of Staff, House International Relations Committee, called to advise
that page six of today's Congressional Check List is missing from his copy
and I filled him in on what the map on the flip side of page five portrayed.
I promised to send him the missing page.

24. [] LIAISON Spoke further with
Bill Schneider, in the office of Senator James Buckley (R., N. Y.), about
his pending request relating to expansion of steel mill production in China
and I said I thought we could provide some unclassified data later in the
week. Schneider said the particulars concerning the foreign national who
would like to meet with us are available to be picked up from his office.

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Monday - 12 April 1976

1. (Unclassified - RLB) LIAISON Called Ms. Marilyn Tat, in Representative Norman F. Lent's (R., N. Y.) office, in response to an earlier telephone request from her inquiring as to whether CIA employees were allowed to engage in union activities. I referred her to the relevant Executive Order which specifically prohibits CIA employees from belonging to unions or engaging in union activities. Ms. Tat inquired further whether FBI employees were under similar restraint and I suggested that she would be best served by checking with the FBI.

2. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Spoke with Mr. John Brady, Senior Staff Consultant, House International Relations Committee, regarding Senator William W. Proxmire's (D., Wis.) "gift" amendment. Mr. Brady said that he had not yet focused on this particular provision in the Senate State Department Authorization bill and after summarizing our opposition to the provision, I told him I would be glad to send him a copy of our fact sheet. He said that he would appreciate receiving it and would see if there is anything he could do to assist us. He cautioned that Senate staff people might attempt to get in touch with House staffers in an effort to see that the House bill contains the gift amendment. He also said he thought the House Committee members would not include the gift provision but that the possibility somebody like Representative Leo J. Ryan (D., Calif.) might bring it up could not be discounted.

Mr. Brady called back later and informed me that there was a good chance the full Committee would meet tomorrow morning to consider the State Department bill in order to report it out before the Easter recess.

3. (Unclassified - DFM) BRIEFING Accompanied [redacted] 25X1
OCI, and [redacted] OSR, to a briefing of Representative Les Aspin (D., Wis.) [redacted] balance of military strength. Representative Aspin will be travelling to the Middle East over the Easter recess. [redacted] conducted the briefing and was able to tell Representative Aspin everything he wanted to know.

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13. [] BRIEFING Ralph Preston, Staff Director, Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee, called to indicate that the briefing on Angola would be scheduled for 2:00 p.m. tomorrow in room H 140 of the Capitol. He said that it would be helpful if the members could be provided a prepared statement beforehand. I suggested he use a draft, four page statement that Mr. Cary had provided him earlier, indicating that I was quite sure the Director would follow the general thrust of that statement. However, Preston said he thought it was too general to serve the purpose and it should be something that the Director has approved. Preston said what would be most helpful would be documentary proof of the commitments made. I said we had brought an Agency officer back from the field just for this purpose but I am sure he can appreciate it does take time to sort out all of the odds and ends which exist when you are involved in something like this.

14. [] LIAISON I spoke with Roger Majak, on the staff of the Subcommittee on International Trade and Commerce, House International Relations Committee, finalizing details for the hearing scheduled for 2:00 p.m., 12 April.

Majak brought up the subject of the Checklist item on the Arab boycott stating that Representative Jonathan B. Bingham (D., N.Y.), Chairman of the Subcommittee, had asked him to request a briefing thereon. I told him we would be happy to provide such a briefing. Majak will call back with a day and time for such a briefing, probably after the Easter recess.

15. [] HEARING I accompanied [] and [] both of OER, and [] DSR, to a hearing before the Subcommittee on International Trade and Commerce, House International Relations Committee. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

16. [] FBIS Delivered FBIS items in which their names were mentioned to Senators Edward M. Kennedy (D., Mass.), Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.), John G. Tower (R., Texas), the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and Representative Benjamin Rosenthal (D., N.Y.).

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17. [] LIAISON Delivered for Fred Fletcher, Administrative Assistant to Representative W. C. Dan Daniel (D., Va.), a copy of a recent speech which General Samuel V. Wilson, formerly D/DCI/IC, recently gave to a civic group in Farmville, Virginia. [] IC Staff, had given the speech to me. The Congressman apparently heard about the speech in his district and indicated an interest in placing a copy of it in the Congressional Record. My understanding is that the speech had been cleared by OASD(PA). Mr. Fletcher wasn't in when I delivered the package but in an earlier telephone conversation he said he was aware of the Congressman's interest in getting the speech and confirmed that he wanted to put it in the Congressional Record.

18. [] ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES
Delivered to Winslow Wheeler, on the staff of Senator Jacob K. Javits (R., N.Y.), []

19. [] ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES
Delivered a copy of the prepared statement that was given by [] OER, to the Subcommittee on International Trade and Commerce, House International Relations Committee, this afternoon to the Senate Appropriations Committee, Senate Armed Services Committee, House Appropriations Committee, and the House Armed Services Committee.

20. [] LIAISON Called Representative Daniel Flood (D., Pa.) and told him I just wanted to be sure he is coming to the meeting tomorrow afternoon with the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee. He said he will definitely be there; he has cancelled another meeting so as to attend this one.

21. [] LIAISON Called Representative John McFall (D., Calif.) and told him I just wanted to be sure he is coming to the meeting tomorrow with the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee. Mr. McFall said he would be there.

Mr. McFall said that he has talked with Chuck Snodgrass, staff of the Committee, regarding the House Select Committee report and neither he nor Snodgrass can see anything classified about it. He said he feels it would be a good idea if the Agency came up before the Subcommittee and went over the report with them. It was left that Mr. McFall would check with Chairman George Mahon about this. I also suggested he talk with Representatives Dale Milford (D., Texas) and Robert McClory (R., Ill.) about this.

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18. [] LIAISON Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, called and changed the session this afternoon with the Defense Subcommittee to 4:00 p. m.

19. [] LIAISON Accompanied the Director, Messrs. [] Africa Division, and [] Deputy Comptroller, to a briefing of the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee. (See Memo for the Record.)

20. [] LIAISON At the request of [] OER, I called Rick Gilmore, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and reminded him that he had promised us a copy of the report on Soviet grain. He said he thought he had sent a copy to us and regretted the oversight and stated he would send one out right away. He also said he would like an update on a previous briefing on Soviet grain prior to hearings to be held on the subject which he believes will begin sometime after the recess. He will call regarding the time and date for the briefing. Gilmore later sent us a copy of the report, which was given to []

21. [] BRIEFING I accompanied [] NIO/Middle East, and [] OCI, to a briefing of the Special Subcommittee on Investigations, House International Relations Committee, on the current situation in the Middle East with particular emphasis on Lebanon. As was expected, Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.) raised the issue of the Washington Post article commenting on the statement before the AIAA regarding Israeli nuclear weapons. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

22. [] LEGISLATION Spoke with Mr. James Davidson, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, Senate Government Operations Committee, requesting an informal meeting with him later this week to discuss S.2925, the Government Economy and Spending Reform Act of 1976. We set up a meeting for Thursday afternoon, April 15. [] Comptroller's office, will accompany me.

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23. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Talked with Tom Smeeton and Peter Abbruzzese, both on the staff of the House International Relations Committee, regarding consideration of the State Department Authorization bill by the Committee. Initially, both Messrs. Smeeton and Abbruzzese indicated that the full Committee would meet to consider the House version of the bill later in the morning. They were both still of the opinion that Senator William W. Proxmire's (D., Wis.) "gift" amendment would not be in the Committee version of the bill. Later, Mr. Abbruzzese informed me that the full Committee would not be able to consider the Authorization bill until after the Easter recess.



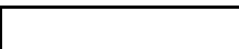
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5. [REDACTED] HEARING I called Mike Uhlmann, Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, and inquired as to whether Chairwoman Bella Abzug's (D., N. Y.) Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, House Government Operations Committee, had set a definite date for the Justice Department to testify on her bills amending the Privacy Act. He said they were told only that the hearing would be scheduled during the week of 24 April and he expects a call from the Subcommittee to set up a date. I explained that we feel it best that we testify after Justice appears. Uhlmann agreed and will check back with me before making any positive commitments to the Subcommittee people as to when Justice will testify.

6. [REDACTED] LIAISON Duke Short, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security staff, called to inform me that in accordance with our prior discussion, [REDACTED]

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7. [REDACTED] HEARING Spoke with Mike Van Dusen, on the staff of the Special Subcommittee on Investigations, House International Relations Committee, and referring to the hearing of yesterday told him that I had reviewed the records and that it was clear that during the October 1975 briefing of the Subcommittee we had in fact already briefed them on the same questions which were raised at the hearing, including the actual possession of nuclear weapons. Van Dusen stated that Representative Lee H. Hamilton (D., Ind.), Chairman of the Subcommittee, was very appreciative of the briefing and in retrospect sorry that he started the questioning with Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.) and that we would probably hear no more from it. He suggested that perhaps we might want to get to Representative Harrington the essence of previous Congressional briefings on the subject and he would be willing to pass the message if we so wanted.

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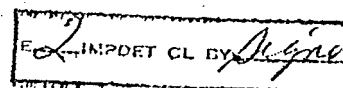
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Thursday - 15 April 1976

1. (Unclassified - WPB) LEGISLATION Called Tom Latimer, Department of Defense, concerning the Director's letter to Senator Howard Cannon (D., Nev.) on S. Res. 400. He said he had no problem with it, but noted that we concentrated on the oversight problems while DOD's major concern was the authorization problem.
2. (Unclassified - WPB) LEGISLATION Bob Carlstrom, OMB, called to clear our report on S. 797 - S. 800, bills to amend the Administrative Procedure Act.
3. (Unclassified - WPB) LEGISLATION Tom Smeeton, on the staff of the House International Relations Committee, called to inform me that Representative Jack Brooks (D., Tex.) was planning to take up legislation on protecting intelligence agents. No legislation along these lines has been referred to the House Government Operations Committee to date, of which Brooks is Chairman.
4. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Had a telephone conversation with Mr. James MacRae, OMB, regarding the Administration's position on S. 2925, the Government Economy and Spending Reform Act of 1976 (the zero-base review bill). Mr. MacRae outlined OMB's position for me and at my suggestion noted that he would be glad to receive from us a draft views letter setting out the Agency's opposition to the provisions and implications of the bill. (See Memorandum for the Record.)
5. (Unclassified - RLB) LIAISON Picked up a letter for Director Bush from Senator William W. Proxmire (D., Wis.) that was being held by a staff member of the Joint Economic Committee.
6. (Unclassified - NDL) LIAISON Per her earlier request, mailed to Pam Vorder Brugge, Congressional Budget Office Library staff, one copy each of the following Agency publications: "A Dollar Comparison of Soviet and US Defense Activities, 1965-75" and "An Analysis of the Cyclical Dynamics of Industrialized Countries."

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7. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Met with Mr. James Davidson, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, Senate Government Operations Committee, regarding S. 2925, the Government Economy and Spending Reform Act of 1976. Mr. Davidson outlined for myself and [] Comptroller's office, the latest developments regarding S. 2925, the intent behind the bill, and prospects for passage of some form of the bill. [] and I made Mr. Davidson aware of some of the Agency's problems with this sort of bill and, in addition, [] informed Mr. Davidson of certain procedures the Agency now follows regarding budget review and auditing. We agreed to provide Mr. Davidson a views letter on S. 2925 and, in addition, we promised to check into the possibility of having him visit the Agency and discuss various budgetary and auditing matters with our Comptroller's office. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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8. (Internal Use Only - RJK) LIAISON Spoke with Carol Haley, on the staff of Representative Leo C. Zeferetti (D., N. Y.), concerning her earlier request for information on any possible Agency association with a constituent, []. She explained that [] husband had written saying his wife felt she was being harassed by FBI and CIA. I had checked with the Office of Personnel, Office of Security, and DDO and found that there was no record of any Agency association with []. I advised Ms. Haley about this and she said she thought no further response would be necessary from us.

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9. (Unclassified - THW) LIAISON I spoke with Mike Van Dusen, on the staff of the Special Subcommittee on Investigations, House International Relations Committee, and asked him to pass on to Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.) the information we had discussed the previous day as a result of Representative Harrington's discussion during the Subcommittee briefing on 13 April. He said he would see that Representative Lee H. Hamilton (D., Ind.), Chairman of the Subcommittee, passed on the information.

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